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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, December 27, 1884.

Hongkong, December 23, 1884.

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Hongkong, January 26, 1885.

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January, 1885.

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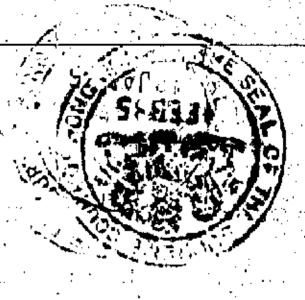
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CORPORATION. MESERUE FOR EQUALIZATION) OF DIVIDENDS.... 8 400,000 RESERVE LEADINITY OF PRO-\$\$7,500,000 FRIETORS.

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HONGKONG. INTEREST ALLOWED. ON Current Deposit Account at the rate HOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 52, Queen's Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th February, at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon, for the of 2 per cent. por annum on the daily balance. For Fixed Deposits :-For 3 months, 3 per cent, per annum, 4 per cent.

declaring a Dividend, and electing Directors LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Oredits granted on approved Securities and every description of Banking and the 4th February, inclusive. Exchange business transacted. Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

b per cent.

T. JACKSON. Chief Manager. Hongkong, August 25, 1884.

NOTIOE. DULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3: Saturdays, 10

2. The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above

3.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,500 in any one year. 4. Deposits may be on behalf of relations.

of trusts; &c., in addition to the depositors own account. 5.—Persons desirous of saving sums less than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post

Office. When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will cupied by Dr. Rogers. be credited one dollar. 6. Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Cor-

poration on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest. by Atmospheric Suction without pain or 7.—Deposits may be forwarded from the inconvenience. Discount to missionaries Ports by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any values. and families.

8. -Interest at the rate of 3h per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances. 9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be pre-

souted with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and begin-

10.—Covers, containing Pass-Books, Rogistered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the husiness of the Bank will, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Bank Business, be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

11. - Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary. 19 -All documents connected with the

TION (HORGHOME BRANCH), are hereby business of the Savings' Bank are requested to present them to the Liquida-Tons of the Bank, when they will be given exempt from stamp duty. in Exchange, a certificate of the value of . For the the Notes deposited.

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Furnish to the Liquidarons of the Bank, T. JACKSON, Issue, Number and Amount of each Note

Chief Manager. Hongkong, April 25, 1884.

cation at the OFFICE of the ORIENTAL BANK TATITH Reference to the above, BUSI NESS will be Commenced on the Ist MAY, 1884.

Hongkong, April 25, 1834.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, T. JACKSON. Ohief Manager.

號三月二年五十八百八千一英

(Incorporated in London on 18th July, 1884,

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LONDON BANKERS:

UNION BANK OF LONDON, LD.

BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON.

DATES or INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-

At 3 months' notice 3 % per Annum.

Current Accounts kepts on Terms which

Notices of Firms.

ATR, B. B. DALTON SAYLE was Ad-

mitted a PARTNER in my Business

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Style of the Firm in future will be 'W. R.

NOTICE.

WING to the DISSOLUTION of the

Firm of HUGHES & LEGGE.

will Continue the Business of SHARE and

GENERAL BROKER and Auctioneer in my

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO

STEAMBOAT COMPANY,

LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS,

THE Thirty-Seventh Ordinary Half-

Yearly MEETING of SHARE.

purpose of receiving a Report of the Direc-

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company

T. ARNOLD,

Secretary.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

SING KEE & Co.,

SHIP'S COMPRADORES,

STEVEDORES,

GENERAL STOREKEEPERS,

TYPEP on HAND and FOR SALE,

well Assorted OILMAN'S

STORES, AND COAL OF ALL KINDS.

Provisions, at moderate charges.

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.

MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG,

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TERLY ASSISTANT TO DR. ROCERS,)

has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly oc-

No. 1, DUDDELL STREET.

CONSULTATION FREE.

Sole Address.

Hongkong, January 12, 1885.

Perfect adjustment of ARTIFICIAL TEETH

I. DUDDELL STREET.

(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)

WILLIAM DOLAN,

23, PRAYA CENTRAL.

MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN

OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS,

CORK JACKETS,

&c., &c., &c.

NOTICE.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION

IN LIQUIDATION.

LL HOLDERS of NOTES of the

A ORIENTAL BANK CORPORA-

Holder of Nores will be required to

a schedule in duplicate, giving the date of

Forms of Schedule may be had on appli-

For the

OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR

OF THE

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION,

By his Attorneys,

J. MELVILLE MATSON,

H. HOWARD TAYLOR.

Hongkong, August 2, 1884.

Corporation, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

produced.

Hongkong, May 1, 1882,

T the urgent request of his European

and American patients and friends,

Hongkong, January 16, 1885.

Hongkong, January 15, 1885.

tors, together with a Statement of Accounts,

and Auditors.

Hongkong, January 13, 1885.

NOTICE.

H. A. HERBERT.

W. R. LOXLEY.

E. JONES HUGHES.

Manager.

may be learnt on application.

Hongkong, September 15, 1884.

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LOXLEY & Co.

own Name from this date.

Hongkong, January 1, 1885.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1885.

Bank. For Sale. THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK LANDED CORPORATION, LIMITED.

'GLENEARN.'

OUR NEW MAKE

BOOTS AND SHOES.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, January 24, 1885.

FIRE! FIRE!!

FIRE!!! POWELL & Co. having Purchased from THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE Co. part of the SALVAGE STOCK, the Store will be CLOSED on MONDAY, 2nd February, 1885,

For the purpose of Arranging and Classifying the GOODS. On TUESDAY, 3rd February, and following Days, The Whole will be offered in REMNANTS at prices that must command a speedy Clearance. TERMS:-CASH.

Hongkong, January 31, 1885.

ROBERT LANG & Co.,

Tailors, Hatters, Shirtmakers & General Outfitters,

QUEEN'S ROAD (OPPOSITE HONGKONG HOTEL).

HATS. large assort-Christy's of Felt Hats, always in will be CLOSED from the 22nd Instant to Stock in all the

newest styles.

CLOTHING. Tweeds. Coatings. Trouserings. Serges. Flannels.

SHIRTS. Having completed our arrangements we can now make to order White Dress Shirts, equal to home manufacture.

WM. POWELL & Co.

HOSIERY, SCARFS, TIES, HANDKERCHIEFS,

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Hongkong, January 6, 1885.

Intimations.

HONGKONG FLOWER SHOW.

Shipping supplied at the Shortest Notice with all Kinds of BALLAST and FRESH THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL EXHIBI-TION will be held in the BOTANIC No. 3, POTTINGER STREET, GARDEN on THURSDAY and FRIDAY, the 12th and 13th February, 1885. All Exhibits must be entered not later than the 10th Instant; and Planzs in Pors should be sent on the 11th Instant.

Admission: -First Day, \$1; Second Day 20 Centa. Tickets for the First Day may be obtained from Messie, Lane, Crawford & Co. Schedules of Prizes can be obtained from CHARLES FORD,

Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, February 2, 1885.

VICTORIA HOTEL Praya and Queen's Road Central. Hongkong.

THIS extensive and well-appointed establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy positions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place. The Rooms are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsome manner,

suited to the requirements of the Far MAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER, The accommodation and service of every kind will be found to be of the best des-MOTTON DUOKS, HEMP CANVAS, An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spa-

cious, large Dining Hall. The Hotel also contains handsome and comfortable reception, Reading, Billiard and Amoking Rooms. The Hotel is unsurpassed for comfort, con venience and quick service. Continental languages are spoken.

MESSAS. DORABJEE AND HING KEE. PROPRIETORS. Hongkong, September 15, 1884.

D. K. GRIFFITH & Co. TANUFACTURERS OF THE LONDON ÆRATED WATERS, Have REMOVED from the BEACONSFIELD

ARCADE to larger Promises

1, DUDDELL STREET, Where they continue to Supply: WATER, LEMONADE. TONIC GINGERADE, SELTER RASPBERRYADE. EARSAPARILLA II &c., &c., &c. At the same Moderate Charges.

D. K. GRIFFITH, Proprietor. Hongkong, July 28, 1884,

Intimations. HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED

THE Fourth Ordinary Annual MEET. ING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, THE Queen's Road Central, at 12 o'Clock, Noon, on FRIDAY, the 20th February, 1885, to receive a Statement of Accounts of the Company to the 31st December, 1884, and the Report of the General Managers, also to discuss any matters that may be competently

brought before the Meeting. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 20th Instant, both days inclusive. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, February 2, 1885.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCI COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. THE Ordinary Yearly MEETING SHAREHOLDERS will be held the Offices of the Company, No. 14

Praya Central, on TUESDAY, the February, at 3.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, and a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, l88**4.** The Transfer BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the Toth, to Tuesday, the 24th February, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors, D. GILLIES,

Secretary. Hongkong, January 28, 1885. 173 NOTICE.

THE MITSU BISHI MAIL S.S. Co. I having taken over the NAGASAKI SLIP and ENGINEERING WORKS, are now prepared to Dock and REPAIR VESSELS, at moderate terms. The DOCK is one of the largest and best in the East, being 431 feet long and 89 feet broad, and having a depth of water on blocks at apring tides of 27 feet and

neap tides 22 feet, The SHOPS contain Machine tools of all descriptions and compound Engines up to 1,000 horse-power. The heaviest-class of work can be undertaken at the shortest Powerful lifting SHEARS are being above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby

informed that all Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, at Wan-For further Particulars, apply to H. J. H. TRIPP, Agent.

Hongkong, December 18, 1884.

Noon To-pay.
No Olaims will be admitted after the BORROUGHES & WATTS' SOUD MAHOGANY Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods BILLIARD TABLE, remaining after the 5th Proximo will be Complete with Cues, Pool, Pyramid, &c., subject to rent. BALLS, MARKING BOARD, RESTS, EXTRA CLOTH, &C., &C.

Just arrived per Glenfalloch, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, November 4, 1884,

Auctions.

A.V.IS. LE Public est informé que le MER-CREDI, 4 Février, 1885, aura lieu THE BASEMENT FLOOR, GODOWN la première criée pour la VENTE par authorité de justice du Steamer CANTON, Appertenant au port de Londres de 1095

Tonneaux de jauge, côte 100 A 1 au Le doux autres enchères prescrites par les Articles 202 & 205 du code de commerce aurout lieu les Mercredi sui vants.

Pour les Conditions de la Vente s'adresser au greffe du Tribunal ou à M. M. F. ENGLER & Ce. Saigon, 23 Janvier, 1885.

For Sale.

FOR SALE. EXTRA FINE QUALITY FRENCH BUTTER,

BRAND (DUC DE NORMANDIE, -THE OLDEST BUTTER PACKING ESTABLISHMENT IN NORMANDY,

IN 1th tine and Cases of 48 tine each. Sold in Quantities of not less than one dozen tins, at \$6 per Dozen. Reduction made to Purchasers of one case and upwards, G. R. LÄMMERT,

Sole Agent. Hongkong, October 4, 1884. FOR SALE.

TULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, Dubos Frères & de Gernon & Co.'s BORDEAUX CLARETS AND

WHITE WINES. Baxter's Celebrated 'Barley Bree' WHISKY,-672 per Case of 1 doz. GIBB. LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, July 18, 1884. FOR SALE. MOURSE, DISTANCE,

CHINA MAIL Office.

Notices to Consignees.

STEAM NAVIGATION COM-

PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, PENANG AND

from the above Ports, Consignees of

SINGAPORE,

Godowns of the Undersigned, at Wanchai,

No Claims will be admitted after the

Claims must be sent in to the Office of

Instant, or they will not be recognized.

the 9th Instant will be subject to rent.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,

BRITISH SHIP MELBREK, FROM

LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-

named Vessel are hereby requested to

send in their Bills of Lading to the Under-

signed for countersignature, and to take

Cargo impeding the discharge of the

Fessel will be landed and stored at Con-

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

ROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LON-

DON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. Radnorshire, S. C. RICKARD,

chai, No. 3, behind the premises known as

Blue Buildings,' whence and/or from the

Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained,

less notice to the contrary be given before

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Hongkong, January 80, 1885,

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,

Agents.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, un.

Commander, having arrived from the

MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents.

o'clock To-Morrow, the 3rd Instant,

Hongkong, February 2, 1885.

immediate delivery of their Goods.

Hongkong, February 2, 1885.

signees' risk and expense.

whence delivery may be obtained.

CHINA SHIPPERS MUTUAL

AVERAGE SPEED TABLES, Steamers. LONDON, via THE SUEZ CANAL, FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO. India, China, Japan, &c., Steamship

Bengloe

for the above Port, j VARIOUS OTHER TABLES AND NOTES,

W. A. GULLAND. POSTPONED till WEDNESDAY, the 4th Instant, at Noon. To be obtained at the 'CHINA MAIL' OFFICE. For Freight or Passage, apply to Messis, LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co. FALCONER & Co. Hongkong, February 2, 1885. Hongkong, September 2, 1884,

FOR HOIHOW AND BANGKOK. WASHING BOOKS. (In English and Chinese.) THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM TATASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now be had at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

The Company's Steamer Phra Chom Klao, Capt. H. STRATTON, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 5th Inst.

at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to YUEN FAT HONG.

Hongkong, February 2, 1885. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL THE Steamship Ocpack having arrived The Co.'s Steamship Captain Riley, will be despatched as above on Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the THURSDAY, the 5th February.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Goods have left the Godowns, and all Hongkong, January 30, 1885.

the Undersigned, before Noon on the 9th No Fire Insurance has been effected, and DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, any Goods remaining in the Godowns after LIMITED. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. notice to the contrary be given before 10

The Co. 's Steamship Bills of Lading will be countersigned by Captain Young, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 6th Instant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, February 2, 1885. EASTERN AND AUSTRALIA

STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND

ADELAIDE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS. LAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW ZEALAND, NEW CALE. DONIA, TASMANIA and FIJI.)

Captain CRAIG, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 7th February,

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., Hongkong, January 24, 1885.

STEAM TO YOK THAMA, PIA NAGA. SAKI AND HIOGO. (Passing through the INLAND SEA.) Steamship
The P. & O. S. N. Uo. s

Steamship
Teheran
will leave for the above

place on FRIDAY, 6th February, at Day. A. McIVER. Superintendent P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,

Hongkong, January 24, 1985,

PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH. Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL The Steamship Captain Duke, will be despatched as above on or about the 7th February. This Steamer has superior Accommoda-

tion for Passengers, and carries a Doctor and a Stowardess. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, January 29, 1885.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 100 A 1 British Ship Enichsen, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will Western Monarch, have quick despatch

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, January 5, 1885.

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON.) The American Barque

C. M. Noves, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

MELCHERS & Co., Agents. Hongkong, January 27, 1885.

Mails.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

Hongkong, December 24, 1884. 2165 STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO. ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID. MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, NAPLES, MARSEFLEES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

BORDEAUX, LE HAVRE, DUNKIRK, The Departure of the LONDON AND ANTWERP. N TUESDAY, the 10th February, DJEMNAH, Commandant LEQUERRE, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the

above places. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and socepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on! the 9th February, 1885. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.

Contents and value of Packages are re-For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office, G. DE CHAMPEAUX

Hongkong, January 29, 1885.

U. S. MAIL LINE

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, YL OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOROHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO. THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF

NEW YORK will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUES-DAY, the 10th February, at 3 p.m. taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Through Bills of Lasting issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers. RETURN PASSACES .- Passengers who have paid full fare, re-ambarking at San 199 Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 % from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10 % will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year. will be issued at a Discount of 25 % from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fores from China and Japan to

Burone. Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required. Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo

destined to ports beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Offices in Scaled Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

Honghong, January 26, 1885.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-

PANY. THE Undersigned are prepared to accept L Risks on First Class Godowns at per cent. not premium per annum,

NORTON & Co., Agenta. Hongkong, May 19, 1881,

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SINGAPORE.

Port on THURSDAY, the 5th Instant, at

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP

COMPANY, LIMITED.

For Freight or Passago, apply to

Hongkong, February 3, 1885.

The Steamship

Straits of Gibraltar,

RUSSELL & Co.,

Agents.

Captain Dewan, will.

despatched for the above

Insurances.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF

His Majesty King George The First,

A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents for the above Corporation are

propared to grant Insurances as follows :-

Marine Department.

here, in London, or at the principal Ports

Fire Department.

of India, China and Australia.

Policies at current rates, payable either

Entertainment

THE GAIETY COMPANY.

Sole Proprietor, - . GEO. NOEVILLE.

THE THEATRE ROYAL, Calcutta;

Patrons:

of Connaught.

His Excellency The MARQUIS of Ripon,

His Excellency Sir JAMES FERGUSSON,

T. R. H. THE DUKE AND DUCHESS,

to the student.

acparately.

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eymploms of which are Skin Disorders, Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-The American Ship ceived, and transmitted to the Directors Burning and Weight in the Stomach, Nausea, Dizziness, Hendaches, Foul for their decision. BLANCHARD, Master, will load here for the above Port, and If required, protection will be granted on Breath, Billous Fever and Colic, Palus first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single in the storach, side, and back, Dropsical will have quick despatch. Swellings, etc.-there is no relief so prompt Life. and certain as AYER'S PILLS. They are of For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-For Freight, apply to great service in the cure of Piles. As a household remedy they have no equal.

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MAYBERRY, Amer. barque, Runs Daily as a Ferry Boat between Scott, Pakhoi January 29, and Hoihow Capt. E. M. Knight.—Remedies & Co. Peddar's Wharf and Tsim-Tsa-Tsui at the February 1, General.—Adamson, Bell & FURNESS ABBEY, American barque, Capt. following hours:-This Time Table will take J. T. Marcy.-Adamson, Bell & Co. effect from the 1st November, 1884. GOODELL, American barque, Capt. Wm. February 3:-R. Hagan.—Adamson, Bell & Co. John Knox, British steamer, 1,350, Brolly Leaves K'loon, Leaves H.K. Leaves K'loon, Leaves H.K. Ino, German barque, Captain G. Höckel-Kutchinotzu January 24, Coal.—BUTTER-6.00 A.M. 7.00 A.M. 6.00 A.M. 7.00 A.M. mann.—Wieler & Co. 8.30 .. 7.30 .. INVINCIBLE, American ship, Capt. J. S. FIELD & SWIRE. Kashgar, British steamer, 1,515, F. Speck, Feargns Skewes. -Order. Bombay January 12, General. -P. & O. S. ISABEL, British barque, Captain Joseph 12.30 г.м. 12.30 г.м. 1.00 г.м. Howie - Messageries Maritimes. JESSIE OSBORNE, British ship, Captain J. Douglas, British steamer, 982, M. Young, Foochow January 30, Amoy 31, and Swatow Wilson.—Carlowitz & Co. 3.20February 2, General.—Douglas Steamship NICOLAS THAYER, Amer. barque; Capt. Robert S. Crosbie. - Master. PROPONTIS, British steamer, Captain G. Straits of Gibraltar, British steamer, 1,281, 5.30Heasley.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co. Dewar, Swatow February 2, General.-SAMAR, American ship. Capt. Oliver O. RUSSELL & Co. Jones.—Adamson, Bell & Co. 7.05 Vessels Advertised as Loading. Date of Leaving. Agents. Captain. Vessels. Destination. |February 5, at 5 p.m. Russell & Co..... February 5, at noon. Yuen Fat Hong..... Butterfield & Swire February 5. Hoihow and Bangkok...... Jardine, Matheson & Co..... About February 7. London, via Suez Canal.... London, via Suez Canal.......Glencoe (8)..... Russell & Co..... February 5, at 5 p.m. Esmeralda (s)......Taylor..... February 10, at noon. Messageries Maritimes..... Diemnah (8)..... Melchers & Co..... Quick despatch. Marseilles, &c., via Saigon..... February 10, at 3 p.m. Pacific Mail S. S. Co..... Portland (Oregon)..... San Francisco, via Yokohama .. City of New York (a) Quick despatch. Russell & Co,..... 143 San Francisco...... Western Monarch..... Juick despatch. Russell & Co..... February 5, at 4 p.m. Russell & Co..... Straits of Gibraltar (s)...... February 6, at noon. Douglas Lapraik & Co.... Swatow, Amoy and Foochow...Douglas (8).......................Young..... Quick despatch. Melchors & Co..... Swatow and Chefco......Bellona (s) February 7, at 4 p.m. Russell & Co..... Sydney and Melbourne, &c Guthrie (s). February 4, at noon. Yokohama and Hiogo......Bengloe (s)... Feb. 6, at daylight. Yokohama, via N'saki and Hiogo Teheran (s) FEB. 3, 1885. SHARE LIST.-QUOTATIONS. Closing Quatations, Cash. Paid- | Position per last Repoet. 144 444 144 Reserve. 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DEPARTURES. February 2:-Bellona, for Whampon. Benarty, for Singapore. February 3 :-John C. Munro, for Havre. Emily, for Whampon. Amatista, for Hoihow. Tasmania, for Europe. Hampshire, for Saigon.

· ULEARED. Mina Deutchmann, for Keelung. Minnie Carmichael, for Iloilo. Signal, for Hoihow. Moray, for Singapore and New York. Camelot, for Kutchinetzu. Greyhound, for Hoihow. Hailoong, for Hoihow. Elsa, for Haiphong.

> PASSENGERS. ARRIVED.

Per Doris, from Holhow, 40 Chinese. Per Sardonye, from Victoria, B.C., 200 Per Greyhound, from Pakhoi, &c., Per Kashgar, from Bombay, &c., Mr and

Mrs Rust and infant, Mr Mahomed Ally, and 105 Chinese. Per Douglas, from Coast Ports, Messrs Sanderson and Wardlaw, and 142 Chinese. Per Straits of Gibraltar, from Swatow, 600

DEPARTED. Per Tasmania, from Hongkong : for Penang, Lieut. Lawford; for Colombo, Mr F. von Knoblauch; for Bombay, Mesars Shurnfally, Pestonjee and A. Shernfally for Brindisi, Messrs J. A. Wilson and J. Captain Taylor, will be Roberts; for London, Mrs Wallace, 2 despatched for the above children and amah, Rev. H. and Mrs Thompson and 3 children, Miss Scott; and Mr M. Boyd Bredon. From Shanghai : for Singapore, Mr E. H. Gower and native servans; for Penang, Mr G. McBain and native servant : for Suez, Mr and Mrs E. D. Jordon, Misses Jordon, Clark and maid, Mr HONGKONG DISPENSARY A. W. Foster; for Bombay, Mr M. J. Moses; for London, Messra A. Hosie, W. H. Tottie and A. Mitchell. From Yokohama : for Port Said, Mr C. Voensky. Per Benarty, for Singapore, 1 European, and 168 Chinese.

Per Amatista, for Hoihow, 1 European, and 19 Chinese Per Hampshire, for Saigon, 12 Chinese. To DEPART. Per Signal, for Heihow, 1 European, and 110 Chinese.

Per Moray, for Singapore, 12 Chinese. Per Greyhound, for Hoihow, 50 Chinese Per Hailouig, for Hoihow, 20 Chinese. SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German steamer Doris reports: Had a strong monsoon throughout and The British steamer Greyhound reports Experienced strong monsoon with head sea

and cloudy weather. The British steamer John Knox reports : Had strong N.E. wind and fine weather. The British steamer Douglas reports: Left Foochow on 30th ulto. , had fresh monsoon and fine weather. Left Amoy on 31st ulto, similar weather. Left Swatow on 2nd inst., had fresh monsoon and hazy weather. Steamers in Foochow, Activ, Hae-shin, and U. S. corvette Juniata. Steamers in Amoy, Glucksburg and H.M.S. Swift. Steamers in Swatow, Tuichiow, Tientsin, Pechili, Chi Yuen, and H.M.S.

The British steamer Straits of Gibraltar Had fine weather and light winds.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-For HOIHOW AND PAKHOI-Per Hadoong, at 9.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 4th inst. For HAIPHONG.—

Per Elsa, at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, 4th inst. For HOIHOW AND BANGKOK .-Per Phra Chem Klao, at 11.30 a.m., on Thursday, the 5th inst.

For SAIGON .-Per Harter, at 3.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 5th inst. For AMOY .--

Per Esmeralda, at 4.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 5th inst. For MANILA.—

Per Zajiro, at 4.30 p.m., on Thursday. the 5th inst. For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW .-Per Douglas, at 5 p.m., on Thursday, the

For NAGASAKI, HIOGO AND YOKO-HAMA.— Per Teheran, at 5 p.m., on Thursday,

the 5th February. For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNS-MELBOURNE & ADELAIDE, &c.-Per Guthrie, at 3.30 p.m., on Saturday, the 7th February.

For SAIGON.— Per Propontis, at 4,30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 10th inst. Per Iphigenia, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 24th inst.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACERT. -The French Contract Packet Djemnah will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 10th February, with Mails to the Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:-

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and patterns ceases. A.M. - Mails closed, except for Late Late Fee of 10 cents until

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW. Shipping.

Noon .- Bengloe leaves for Yokohama, &c Meetings. 3 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H.K., C. & M. Steamboat Co., Ltd., at No., 52, Queen's Road.

4 p.m.-Moeling of Legislative Council. Miscellaneous. Noon. - Distribution of Prizes at the Central School.

General Memoranda. THURSDAY, February 5:-Goods per Radnershire undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Goods per Oopack undelivered after this date subject to rent. Transfer Books of The Hongkong Ice Company, Limited, closed from this date to 20th Instant. Tuesday, February 10:-

Transfer Books of Hongkong and Whampon Dock Co., Ltd., closed from this date to the 24th Instant, inclusive. THURSDAY, February 12:-

Flower Show. FRIDAY, Fobruary 13 :--Flower Show.

Monday, Tobruary 9:-

FRIDAY, February 20 :-Noon. -- Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Ice Company, Limited, at No. 7, Queen's Road. TUESDAY, February 24:---

3.30 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of Co., Ltd., at No. 14, Praya Central.

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MARRIAGE. On the 3rd Inst., at the Roman Catholi Cathedral, by the Right Rev. Bishop Rai mondi, Thomas Francis Hughes, Deputy Commissioner of Customs, Canton, to MARGARET EUGENIE, third daughter of the Hon. James Dever, of St. John; New Brunswick.

The publication of this issue commenced

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1885. VILLE, BRISHANE, SYDNEY, THE serious news which has lately come to hand from Burmah must have an important bearing upon the present licences, whatever that may mean or condition of affairs in the East. The mount to. In 1875 the Governor of capture of Bhamo by so-called Chinese Kiangsu reported the yield of Likin in means that the Shans, aided by the that province as being Ils. 2,000,000 Kachyens (the hill-people between Up- per annum. In Chihli it amounts acper Burmah and Yunnan), have at last cording to a memorial of Li Hung Chang succeeded in tuking that border town, to only Tls. 60,000. In Shensi and after a series of unsuccessful attempts to Kansuh it amounts to Tis. 250,000 on an do so. The incident is important in so average. In Szechnan it amounts to... for as it exhibits to the world the Tls. 2,000,000. In Kweichow, Ynnnan, climax, so to say, of the misrule and and Kwangsi it is insignificant. From beyond, vid Naples; to Saigon, Straits oppression that have become almost the other provinces we have not such Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Caylon, the only features of King Theebaw's definite information, but we gather that India (via Madras), the Australasian reign in Burmali. Indeed, the situa- as a general rule the Likin about equals tion in Upper Burmah is fast justifying, the land tax., And finally we have the if it does not already justify, the position authority of the Board of Revenue for taken up by the Rangoon and Man- stating that the Likin returns for the chester merchants; and Lord Dufferin, whole of the 18 provinces amount to Tls. MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. - who has been entrusted with the formula- 17,000,000, or Tis. 18,000,000 per an-The United States Mail Packet City of New tion of a scheme for overcoming the diffi- num, which is, it will be remembered, a York will be despatched on TUES- culty will have exceedingly good grounds little below what we estimated the land upon which to advocate strong measures. tax to be. What with the predatory Shans and |-Kachyens in the north, the chronic in- make a considerable deduction from the surrectionary movements amongst the above sums. Likin is levied under three-2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Corres- Shan States in the east, and the unen- distinct headings, which are salt, opium, pondence may be posted on board the durable cruelties of Theebaw in Upper and miscellaneous goods. The figures Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Burmah itself, the centre of tyranny just quoted include, as well as we can now called Independent Burman may make out, for the language is not so exbe described as approaching dissolution. plicit as it might be, the total revenue Indeed, as the Bombay Gazette puts from Likin of all kinds. But we have it, 'the most instructive incident of the already accounted for the Likin on saltpresent condition of officies in Burmah a very considerable item—in our estiis the large and continued exodus of mate of the yield of the salt gabel. A Day before departure (or Saturday if the de- Theebaw's subjects for British territory. censor, Hu Ting K'wei, writing in 1875, A bold stroke on the part of England calculated that the Likin on salt alone, if would, therefore, be acceptable on every faithfully returned, ought to yield Tis. hand. And in saying so we do not even 12,000,000, and that the levy on miscel-Post Office closes, except the except China. The view put forward laneous goods should probably be about NIGHT BOX, which is always by several Indian papers (as well as by the same amount. We did not ourselves, our morning contemporary) that it is when discussing the salt returns, attempt

is at deadly comity with these predatory borderers; and the real truth is that China could not, if it would, exercise authority in that region. Apart. from this consideration, however, can it be supposed that far-seeing Chinese statesmen would, even if they could, run the risk of making England their enemy on the Burmese frontier at the ? present time? With her hands as full as they now are. China would not waste. her strength on the hill tribes of Upper. Burmah. But as a matter of fact we are of opinion that China believes her interests to lie quite in the opposite direction. She would, we have every reason to think, be exceedingly pleased to see Upper Burmah annoxed and occupied by England, and the reasons for this belief are not far to seek. An-English occupation of Theebaw's disturbed kingdom would involve a protectorate over the Shan States lying between Burmah and Tonquin, and by this step China would ensure the maintenance of order on her south-western frontier. But China would gladly had England as a neighbour for another reason. Any further advance on the part of France to the westward would thus be effectually barred, as the highland country of Yunnan, which come mands the whole of Burmah, could never be allowed to pass into the hands of any rival power. Perhaps, also, a similar feeling of safety and protection might be felt by the friendly little The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock | State of Siam, were England to take full charge of Burmah. We have mentioned that Lord Duf-

ferin's recommendations on the general situation are being engerly looked for in Rangoon, in India, and at Home. There is no doubt that the entire question of our relations with Indo-China is at present of the gravest importance. The new Viceroy of India will, we understand, make. it one of his first duties to look into the whole matter; and, whether or not the scheme which he propounds will involve annexation or a protectorate, it is clear that the surrounding States cannot be left unconsidered. We have noted the probable tone and temper of China inface of any forward movement by England, and hinted that Siam would not be sorry to see England taking a firmer hold of the reins of government in Northern Burmah. It is clear that one important step in the forward movement must be that England shall guarantee the integrity of Siam. Whatever denials may be given as to the receipt by Siamof threatening letters' from the French authorities, there can be little doubt that France has been taking a most 736 lively interest of late in the welfare (or otherwise) of that little kingdom. This interest is natural, and the certainty that Lord Dufferin will bestow particular attention on this new development may be described as both natuabout 8.30 p.m. Subscribers frequently | ral and desirable. For, if one will but receiving their paper after this time glance at the map of Indo-China, it should send in complaints to the cannot fail to strike him that this coun-Manager. In some cases which have try of Siam will be the pivot on which come to our knowledge the bouse ser- the future of Indo-China will turn. An English occupation or protectorate delivered. Subscribers living at the lot Upper Barmah would, whether Engage Peak or at Kowloon can obtain their land desired it or not, involve the propapers at this Office at 6 a.m., or tection of the Shan States north of from their compradores, to whom, on Siam, and an arrangement with Siam request, they will be sent over night. itself. Such a setp as we have mention-As the publication of the China Mail ed would also be regarded with satistakes place much earlier than formerly, faction by China, and it would indirectly prevent the undue extension of the be completed at a reasonable hour in new French Colonial Empire in the direction of our well-established Indo-Burmese possessions.

THE REVENUES OF CHINA.

THE LIKIN. With regard now to the yield of the levy we happen to have tolerably good information. In 1874 the Governor of Huper reported that from April 1871 to April 1874-n period of three yearsthe total levy of Likin in that province had been Taels 5,112,000, being an average of Tls. 1,700,000 per annum. And again in 1880 it was reported that the yield for the 3 years previously had been in all Tls. 3,800,000, or rather less than Tls. 1,300,000 annually—a rather remarkable falling off it may be noted in passing. This however includes 'trading

But according to our method we must the Chinese who have been acting in to discriminate between Likin and duty Upper Burmah, and that such action is proper, and it is not easy to draw the sanctioned or approved by the Yunnan line, because in all memorials on the provincial anthorities, seems to us subject they are generally lumped to-11.10 A.M.-Letters may be posted with to be ridiculous. Still less do we gether. We cannot of course take 6 believe for a moment that the Chi- consor's word for it, and indeed nothing 11.30 A.M.—When the Post Office closes ness Central Government is involved is more remarkable than the wild and in any way with this Shan-Kachyen random statements that Chinese make on board the packet with Late have movement. The Peking Government, when discoursing on finance—eyen Chi-Fee of 10 cents until time of while it exercises no control over the nese high in authority who might be Shan States or the hardy Kachyens, supposed to have exceptionally good

means of information, and to have taken some pains to verify the facts when addressing the throne. But the student has constantly to be on his guard against nocenting any one's figures until he has had means of testing and comparing them with other sources of information. As to the Idkin on salt, however, we found the total yield of both Likin and duty proper to by about The 9,500,000 and of this certainly two-thirds come from Likin. The Linng Hwai Likin alone we know must give over two millions: the Szechnan salt sold in Hukwang yields in Likin, it is said, though this also is on a Censor's authority and therefore doubtful, another two millions: Szechuan itself derives from selt (Likin and duty together) another million, of which Likin may fairly count for three quarters; -altoge ther the Likin on salt cannot well be put

at less than Tls. 7,000,000. We have also partly accounted for the Likin on foreign onium in our estimate of the Customs Returns. levy made at all the ports by a special hurean immediately on the opium passing into native bands, though not always termed Likin, would appear to be included in the Board of Revenue's statement above quoted. There is a still further levy of course on such onium as is not consumed at the port of entry, namely, that made at the ordinary Likin | decided for them; and we are now feebly barriers, of which a separate account is following suit. Our whole elaborate and kent. This latter item however would costly array of cannon are practically connot amount to a very large sum, perhaps 10 or 12 Taels on 40,000 chests, and it is probable that when the Board speaks of Likin on opium it means all the internal tarátion over and above the treaty duty. We estimated the former levy in discussing the yield of the native this is pretty well. customs as amounting to Tls. 1,000,000, allowing for neculation and waste. This and the Likin on salt we must thus de- The Mines and Minerals of the place let him say that so far as he had seen duct from the total given by the Board of Revenue, viz., Tls. 17,000,000 to 18,000,000, which would leave the total Likin on miscellaneous goods as from nine to ten million Taels.

TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR IN THE SOUDAN. LONDON, Feb. 2. Major-General Buller takes command of

Colonel Stewart's column. Metammeh is not yet taken. The British force holds a good position southwards:

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The S. S. Glenfinlas left Singapore for this port on the 27th ult.

The S. S. Wingsang left Singapore for this port on the 30th ult. The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Agamemnon from Liverpool, left Singapore for this

port on the 30th ult. On the 5th November last, thirteen residents of the village of Tai Kok Tsui, near Yau-ma-ti, several of whom were well-todo shopkeepers, were summoned by the Police authorities for encroaching upon Crown Land by erecting thereon stone and wooden houses, without the permission of the Surveyor General. The case has been

three months, pending instructions on the subject from the Surveyor General, until this morning, when the summonses were all dismissed.

Ir was reported in Wolverhampton that a duel with pistols was fought at Newbridgeavanue, a secluded spot near Wolverhampton. The combatants are alleged to have been young and of good position. The challenge emanated from one who considered his honour injured by a skit in a local satirical journal, which gave the advantage to a rival in a love affair. Three shots were fired by each combatant at ton paces apart, when the seconds declared honour astisfied. Neither was injured, but the challenger says he will again call out his opponent.

Mr. Oscar Wilde, speaking at Glasgow on Dress, said that a Lancashire mill-girl, with a shawl over her shoulders and wearing clogs, knew more about dress than a fashionable London Indy recently returned from Paris, because in the former case there was comfort, while in the latter there was discomfort. He was sad to see in newspapers that such and such a colour was to be the fashion. Colour was viewed by an artist as a piano by a musician. It was a combination of the one and the harmony of the other that made beauty. What would people say if a musical paper stated that B flat was to be the fashionable note next winter?

'Ir is stated, on authority, that it has been decided to replace the whole of the Snider rides now in the hands of the volunteer infantry by Martini-Henrys.' So the Times; and we can only hope that, for once in a way, its 'suthority' is right. For some ten years past it has been generally military purposes. The auxiliary forces have been unressonable enough to express some discontent at the delay in equipping The issue of the Martinis is to commence * very shortly; and no doubt the volunteer re-armament will be quite complete within the next ten years. By the end of that time possibly the Martini-Henry will also have become obsolete, and every army in Europe will be armed with repeating rifles. It will therefore be a great advantage for the volunteers to be once more able to use the discarded weapons of the line : besides being a singular economy to the country. -St. James's Gazetts.

THE total length of the route of the proposed Nicaragna Canal from the Atlantic to the Pacific is 173.57 miles. This is composed of 17.27 miles of canal from the Pacific at Brito Harbour to the Lake of Nicaragua, 56.50 miles of lake navigation. 69.90 miles of navigation of the River San Juan, and 35.90 miles of canal from this river to Greytown. The estimated cost of this work is 41,193,639 dols., or little more then one dollar of capital against one pound course, and the circumstances under which then the license had been requested for in the estimate of M. Voisin for the Panama he gave the lecture His Excellency had No. 94 Queens Road Central, but the ap-Canal of 464 miles in length. Whatever may be the amount of inter-oceanic traffic

doubt either of its feasibility from an engineering point of view, or of the great benefits that it would confer on the district through which it should pass. advantage has been fully understood by the Government of the United States: and in socuring a belt of territory of three miles width on either side of the canal, not only a political object of the first importance is secured, but an equivalent for a considerable portion of the expense of construction may be held to be secured.

It is impossible, says the St James's Gazette, to read the summary of the artillery question which has just been given in the Times without a sense of something like impending disaster. The story may be put into a efew words. Twenty-five years ago breechloading rifled ordnance came in. We immediately began to revolutionize our artillery system. Hundreds of breech-loading guns were built in feverish haste and at a his services and assisted him to publish cost of millions. Then it was found that the new weapons did not answer all the expectations that had been formed of them. Accordingly, with equal zeal and equal profusion, our authorities reverted to the old type, and spent the nation's money casting thousands of muzzle-loaders. But the breech-loaders were the right thing after all. Foreign Powers, which went to work deliberately and after a sufficient series of experiments, long ago demned, and breech-loading guns will be substituted for them—in process of time, In process of time; but meanwhile our rivals are ahead of us by years, and we can only recover lost ground, if at all, by an enormous outlay. For a nation of shopkeepers,' or at least of men of business.

Malay Peninsula.

This afternoon a lecture was delivered in Peninsula were, without exception, the the City Hall by the Rev. J. G. Tenison- richest in the world. The form of tin depo-Woods, M.A., F.G.S., F.L.S., on the sits there was known as stream tin. The Mines and Minerals of the Malay Pen- tin deposits were not only widely spread insula. H.E. the Governor presided. There | but they were inexhaustible. Since he had was a good attendance, among those present being Admiral, Dowell. Hon. W. him if there was something peculiar about Keswick, Mr Justice Russell, Hon. A. Lister, Captain Thomsett, R. N., Lieut, Col. Crawford and other prominent members of they were exactly like other stream the community.

there was vein tin. there was no stream His Excellency, in introducing the lecturer, said that if he was correctly informed the subject with which the lecturer would deal was one in which some gentlemen the lecturer went on to say that plenty of in this Colony have a practical and financial as well as a purely scientific interest. If so and that place are likely places. Somehe earnestly hoped they would be rewarded for the funds which they had advanced for the development of tin mining in the merest chance they ever were right because Peninsula by a grand financial success the simple rule was lost sight of, that alluand that they would get not only useful knowledge but profits for their pockets. was a water course. But not only must Of one thing he was certain—that they would get most valuable and accurate information from his friend, the lecturer, rocks have been composed of a junction whom he had had the pleasure of knowof the paleozoic with the ing for some 25 years, in Australia. rooms. That could be told generally as an eminent geologist and mineralogist, but not always, by the colour of the and as the author of, he believed, the best remanded from week to week for the past books on the exploration of Australia. The lecturer had reminded him the other day that he was his (the Governor's) guest in Queensland about 25 years ago, when he (Sir George Bowen) was the first governor of that great colony, and he had known the ciples, because, as his hearers could under lecturer since in Australia while he (the stand, the alluvial soil at the utmost was only speaker) was Governor of New Zealand and 50 feet thick, rarely so thick and often then of Victoria. Mineralogy, geology and only from 15 to 16 feet thick. The only other sciences were no longer considered to be way to work these deposits was to do as th opposed to religion. There was a time when Chinese do, namely to strip the surface of geology was called 'the accursed science.' the deposit and extract the tin from the de-Now they had a clergyman of the Roman posit by means of washing. If they attempted Catholic Church about to lectury to them tosink shafts and galleries and tunnels with upon geology, and he was surprised that expensive machinery the venture would rethey had not the Bishop of the Roman sult in failure. If they attempted to sink Catholic Church present ready to applaud shafts, they would probably come across the lecturer. His absence was probably large boulders, and as it was impossible to owing to accidental circumstances. They use dynamite in doing this, they would would all recollect that some three centuries have to work round these rocks and probe ago Galileo, the creator of experimental bly leave a lot of valuable tin in doing so science, was persecuted because he con-He then advocated the adoption of the tritended that the earth goes round the bute system for the working of mines in sun and not the sun round the earth. In Perak, and gave an instance of the success those days geology was considered to be : of this system at a mine in Port Philip daugerous science. This feeling was not confined to the Church of Rome only. recollected reading in the works of one of how to work the mines, be the tributories. the most noted Bishops of the Church under the supervision of as few Europeans as England, who, writing about the end of the possible; and let those Europeans be last century, said that geology deserved ridicule rather than hatred, and they of the most trying that Europeans could be all knew that ridicule was often a more exposed to. In conclusion, the lecturer said dangerous weapon than hatred. what he had said of mines of Perak was Bishop argued that for a man crawling on the face of the earth—as he put it—to deal applicable to the mines in the rest of the with the things which were going on in the | Malay Peninsula. They were rich, indeed, interior was as absurd as a gnat sitting on | and afforded opportunities for the employthe shoulder of an elephant and pretending ment of British capital, but they admitted that the Snider is obsolete for that he knew what was going on in the required care in their administration. bowels of the animal. But they had pro- The lecturer was loudly applauded on sit gressed since then, and here at the close of ting down, them. But they may take comfort now. the 19th century they had the lecturer. Mr E. J. Ackreyd then proposed a vote about to tell them what was going on in the of thanks to the lecturer, which was warmly accorded by acclamation; and a vote of bowels of the Malay Peninsula. There was nothing more remarkable than the progress | thanks to His Excellency for presiding was geology had made during the last 50 years. moved by the lecturer. The victories gained, however, in that science were nothing compared with the victories which were yet to be gained. Sir. Isaac Newton on his death hed, after his Peace was held in the Justices Room at the great discoveries in natural science, said he only felt like a little child who had gathered Magistracy this morning. The Justices of the same goods when the contract was a few shells in the great ocean of knowledge. present were Messrs H. E. Wodehouse.

> the expanse of the wood around. The Lecturer commenced by explaining was an application from Dimitrie Millides briefly his qualifications for dealing with Strand Central. In the original applicathe subject on which he was about to disinformed them that he (the lecturer) plicant had been informed, Mr Wode-

The discoveries in geology were like one of

those great Australian, forests-the more

trees that were felled, the greater appeared

much conflict of opinion), there is but little ! tralin, but he had not informed them premises: would be refused and a now apduring that time he (the lecturer) plication had been made on the 30th January, for the license to be granted for had been a witness of the great efforts that 11 Bonham Strand Central. His Excellency made on behalf of every-

course of his missionary duties he had ex-

in geological subjects and had visited many

of the most interesting of the mineral

which he had not visited. On going on

Singapore he was invited by Sir Hugh Lowe

the Peninsula. He accepted the invitation,

and spent 6 or 7 months exploring in Perak.

gore, and thus he became acquainted inti-

of the Malay Peninsula. Previous to that he

had visited the tin districts in Sumatra.

Tin was, next to gold, the most important

mineral product of Australia. In the first

and read, the tin districts of the Malay

been in Hongkong some persons had, asked

the tin deposits of the Malay Peninsula,

There was nothing peculiar about them-

deposits all over the world. Where

tin-the two were not found together-

colour. The paleozoic rocks were so full

which was about to be closed before the system

was adopted. Let the Chinese who knew

well, as the climate was one

MEETING OF JUSTICES OF THE

PEACE.

(Chairman), A. G. Wise, and A. Seth.

Chief Inspector Horspool was also present

The first business before the Justices

for a license to retail liquors at 11 Bonham

on behalf of the Police.

Mr A. P. Stokes, of the firm of Sharp thing that would favour science. In the Johnson and Stokes, who appeared on behalf of several present license holders, opplored a great deal of country that had posed the application, which in the first place he showed, was not in form, as, acnever previously been tredden by the foot cording to see III of Ordinance:11.of 1844 of civilized man, and in his earlier days ten clear days' notice of the application was he had always taken the greatest interest required. Mr Wodehouse replied that poinst had been raised before, and decided in favour of the applicant, as the Police had received due notice, which it was the object of the section to secure. producing countries of Europe. He wrote

Mr Stokes stated that his first objection down a great deal of what he saw, and one to granting the license was the locality or two of the first works which he publishchosen. For a long time past objections ed were on geological subjects. This led had been raised to licenses being granted for premises further east than the Fire him to be regarded in the course of time Brigade Station, and although the house as a kind of authority on geological proposed was not actually further east than the Station, it was almost opposite to it subjects, and the Government made use of With regard to the houses licensed in the western district, there were no less than eleven such between the Hongkong Hotel many of his reports. He was also invited and the extreme west of the town. by the Government to visit and report on should be amply sufficient to meet the remany mineral districts which were just disouirements of the Colony. He wished also to bring to their notice that the licensing covered, and he might say there were few of any more houses would probably necesmineral districts in the whole of Australia sitate extra police supervision. Bir Stokes also stated that the competition between the existing license holders was already visit to his friend Sir Frederick Weld at

In reply to a question from Mr Wodeto visit the mineral districts in his part of id not oppose the application; and Mr referred his Lordship to a number of case Wodehouse said that as he did not consider | in 'Benjamin on Sales', second edition, and the aucstion of competition could be entertained, the Justices granted the applica-Afterwards he visited Malacca and Selantion on the condition that the applicant, who did not speak English, should obtain ship mately with the mineral producing deposits a barman who understood that language.

The application from Fitzpatrick O'Toole or a license to retail liquors at No. 223 Queen's Road Central was withdrawn. Jas. S. Lucas, proprietor of the 'Rose. Shamrock, and Thistle' tayern in Queen's Road West, applied to have his license transferred to S. Libermann.

The Police not opposing the transfer the application was granted, and this closed the business of the session.

SUPREME COURT. IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. (Before the Hon. J. Kussell, Puisne Judge. Tuesday, February 3.

HOI SAI YIUNG AND OTHERS V. GROSSMANN & co.—\$900. GROSSMANN & CO. v. HOI SAI YIUNG AND

others :-- \$157.57. Mr Dennys, of Messrs Dennys and Mosson, appeared for plaintiffs in the first action; and Mr Wotton, of Messrs Wotton and Deacon, represented Messra Grossmann Having described the conditions under & Co.

Mr Dennys stated that his clients had market and buy. That was what the words which tin was found and its component parts. paid into Court the amount claimed in the second suit. They admitted the debt, but miners worked on the plan of saying this they declined to allow the money to be paid out of Court until the other suit was settled. Plaintiffs, he said, were partners times they were wrong, and sometimes in the Yau Foo arms shop, No. 126 Queen's they were right, and it was only by the Road Central. It seemed that about the month of August last Messrs Grossmann had an order to purchase some ammunition from England. They telegraphed home vial tin could only be found where there with reference to this, and they found that they could not only obtain the amount they required, namely 1,000,000 boxer Snider they look for a water course, but they cartridges, but that they could also obtain must look for it in places where the about 3.000,000 more at the same price. They then asked a broker named Tam Yuk Tong to try and find purchasers for the extra amounts. Amongst others the broker went to the plaintiffs, and the negotiations resulted in a contract being made, by which plaintiffs agreed to purchase 200,000 boxer soil, which is of a reddish or yellowish Snider cartridges at \$43.50 per 1,000. The stipulated that the goods should be delivered of peroxide of iron that their deposit always within from two to three months from that gave rise to a fiery red soil. Then as to the date. \$500 bargain money was paid at the time, and this was admitted. About the 21st working of the tin deposits. These were August the plaintiffs were notified through not to be worked on ordinary mining prin-Messrs Grossmann's compradore, and afterwards by Mr Grossmann himself, that the contract could not be carried out. the cartridges which he had depended upon obtaining were not in existence. Various negotiations passed between that date and the commencement of the suit; and, the 13th November, in answer to a letter from his (Mr Dennys') firm calling upon the Messrs Grossman to carry out the contract. Messrs Brereton. Wotton and Deacon wrote saying that as it was provided under the contract, dated the 8th August, that unless the goods arrived within from two to three months from that date, the contract should be null and yold, they failed to see how plaintiffs could demand

delivery of the cartridges. His Lordship asked Mr Wotton what was meant by this.

to arrive. The goods did not arrive, and there was an end to the contract. His Lordship said that if the goods did not arrive, plaintiffs had a right to repudiate the contract, but it did not follow that the other side could say: never make them arrive."

Mr Wotton said the contract was one

Mr Wotton said the contract was an ordinary contract 'to arrive.' If the goods did not arrive within the time, the purchaser was not bound to take them. the other hand if the goods did not arrive in time, the seller was liable to have the goods left on his hands. His Lordship said he understood the letter

to mean that because the goods did not arrive, the defendants were exculpated from recently delivery in every way. Mr Wotton said the contract should have

been performed within two months from

His Lordship:—Therefore because it was not performed, do you say you are not bound in anything

Mr Wotton :-- We say the contract" is at His Lordship: So far as you are con-21st August. If that was so I don't see why the Chinese did not take advantage of this breach, and try to obtain other cartridges.

Mr Dennys said that was what was done.

and then sue for damages.

He would prove that immediately that plaintiffs received notice from defendants that the contract could not be performed, they tried to obtain other cartridges. He would also prove that the price of the cartridges near that date was about \$1.80 per 100, and the measure of damages they were A Special Sessions of the Justices of the now suing for was the difference between the price they had contracted with defendants to purchase for, and the market price broken. He would also prove plaintiffs purchased smaller quantities at \$1.90 and \$2.00 per 100. He believed that the same cartridges were now selling at a consi-

> derably higher rate. Mr Dennys then called the plaintiff who signed the contract and the brother, Tam Yuk Tong. Their evidence was to the same effect as the statements made by Mr Dennya in his speech. The latter witness said the same kind of cartridges as were contracted for were sold yesterday at \$2.20 per 100. The broker also said that when he first gave. wanted 'boxer' cartridges. He could not

a day or two after it was made, to a friend | small sampans which are engaged in carryboxer' was not in the contract, and then he went back to Mr Grossmann and got him say to him at that time he would have to telegraph to London to see whether or not he could supply boxer cartridges.

to the prices reigning for these cartridges at time this contract was made and time it fell through. The price was \$1.35 or \$1.40 per, 100 at the beginning of August, and \$1.80 on the 6th September. In the beginning of November it would be about would be \$2.05 per 100.

In cross-examination, witness said that

at the end of October, he contracted to the Chinese Government with 7.000,000 cartridges at \$1.70 per 100. Mr Wotton then addressed the Court He said he contended in the first instance that upon the contract itself and the way in which it had been treated by both parties that the plaintiffs could not now sue upor it; and that it was a condition that if the over them day and night. goods did not arrive within three months. the contract was at an end. If the goods' had arrived in time then there might have been a question as to whether or not plaintiffs could not enforce the contract; but the | this is promised by our correspondent. arrangement which was really entered into between the parties was that the vendor took the risk of having the goods thrown on his hands if they did not arrive in time; and as an equivalent for that in favour of the plaintiffs if the goods did not arrive house, Mr Horspool stated that the Police in time the contract was at an end. He

cited the case of Boyd v. Skiffpin, where the vendor had contracted to sell certain articles which were expected to arrive in a certain

His Lordship said that seemed to him be a very different sort of case to the present one. In that case the contract was in the nature of a wager. Here the goods were sold in England, and were to arrive at a certain time. The words null and yold in the contract were, he thought, for the benefit of the purchaser. Unless there was some rule very different from everything he had ever learned, he took the contract to mean that the purchasor gave the vendor three months to get the goods. If the vendor failed to got them within that time, the purchaser could go into the market and purchase them at whatever price he could get them, and then sue for damages. When Messrs Grossmann and Co. gave notice to the plaintiffs on the 21st August that they would not be able to carry out the contract, "plaintiffs were entitled to rescind the whole agreement at once, and go into the market and purchase, and claim for the difference, or they could say. shall not consider the agreement broken. but we will wait until the end of the three months, and then if you fail to deliver them.

meant if they meant anything. C. F. Grossmann was then called, and in the course of his evidence, he explained that he first agreed to supply Snider cartridges without any stimulation as to the class. After the contract was made the boxer cartridges were wanted. He then said he was not sure if he could get boxer cartridges, but he would telegraph to London and ask. The broker thereupon suggested he should put in the words that the contract be null and void unless

we will consider the contract finished, as

null and void,' and then enter into the

of date of contract, and he did so. Mr Wotton then again put forward hi former contention, and he also contended that the contract was made conditional on defendants being able to procure the boxer

the goods be delivered within three months

kind of cartridges. Mr Dennys pointed out that the broker's version as to how the word 'boxer' came probable than that given by Mr Gressmann His Lordship would observe that the con tract was dated the 8th August. On the 11th August the broker went to Mr Grossmann, and represented that the word boxer 'had been omitted, and it was then inserted. Mr Grossmann now came for ward and said he had told the broker he was not sure whether or not he would be able to obtain boxer cartridges; and yet two days before he had signed a contract to supply the Chinese Government with .000,000 boxer Snider cartridges. Dennys asked his Lordship if it was likely a man would sign a contract of this kind without knowing whether or not he could carry it out. Mr Dennys referred Lordship to 'Addison on Contracts,' page

His Lordship reserved judgment.

Folice Intelligence. (Before A. G. Wise, Esq.) Tuesday, February 3.

LARDENY BY A SERVANT. Li Ting, a bar boy employed at the Hongkong Hotel, was charged by Chas Bond, assist. manager of the Hotel, with having stolen four bottles of wine and spirits, the property of the Hotel Co., on the 3rd inst. From Mr Bond's evidence it appeared that defendant was in charge of the bar o the Hotel from 6 this morning until 9, when witness came into the bar and noticed that

defendant looked rather bulky. At 10 a.m., when defendant was relieved by another boy, witness searched him and found two bottles of brandy and two of champagne tied round his waist. There had been a number of bottles of wine stolen

Defendant admitted the offence and wa sent to six weeks' hard labour.

LARCENY ON BOARD SHIP. Wong Apo, a coolie, was convicted stealing a quantity of brass from the third engineer's room on board the steamer Ching Hock Kian on the 2nd inst, The brass were was worth \$3 and was the property of the vessel's owners. Defendant was sent to prison for fourteen

Affairs in Formosa

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST THE FRENCH.

reaches us from Formosa, through Amoy. We give this news as it reaches us, and we may add that the statements made are so astonishing that we are compelled publish them with some and should be glad to officially contradicted. It is, however, most emphatically asserted by a reliable correspondent that the French have been tinguish. guilty of acts of a most questionable character in carrying out the so called blockade. This was raised on the 15th December, without notice being served on either neutrals or Chinese. It was renewed on the 5th Jan. and since that date it is affirmed that nathe order to Mr Grossmann, he told him he tive craft of every conceivable description through the canal (as to which there is had lived a very long time in Aus, house said, that his application for those read English but he showed the contract. have been wantonly destroyed, even the

who could, and who saw that the word ing firewood, charcoul, fish, and provisions from one village to another not to insert the word. Mr Grossmann did not being spared. Indeed, according to ou informant, the French seem to have begun to wage a war of extermination against the Mr A. H. Jackson also gave evidence as Chinese junk and boat people along the whole coast. The crews of these boats, mostly innocent fishermen or traders, are either sunk in their boats or they are forcibly carried off to Keelung to work on the the same. The very cheapest price to-day | batteries, where their fate is nearly as bad. They are forced to work, at the point of the bayonet. They receive no food except that which they get from the Annamese coolies who were impressed at Saigon; and when they are no longer able to work, through exhaustion, they are either bayoneted or shot down by the armed guard, who stand

> This news, it will be noticed, is in entire confirmation of the telegram we published on the 30th ultimo. Full confirmation The Chinese troops made an attack

the French positions on the 10th ultimo, but were repulsed with heavy loss.

IN A TYPHOON.

A SHIP'S EVENTFUL VOYAGE FROM

HONGKONG. (New York World, December 20.) The German ship Anna, just arrived from Hongkong and at present anchored in the bay, off Bedloe's island, had a variable experience during her voyage, having encountered, as her commander. Captain Schilat, says, 'about everything a ship can crossing the Atlantic, except being wreck-The Anna loft Hongkong on July 4th last and reached the Indian ocean without accident: 'We struck a calm the very first thing,' said the Captain, having been in this neighborhood before was acquainted with the weather. old saving that a calm precedes a storm must have originated from the Indian ocean weather. There was no sign of storm then; but nevertheless I ordered every inch of canvas furled and hardly was

the work completed when a mild, delightful breeze sprang up. What date was this?' asked the reporter. July 25th, and, as I was saying, a gentle breeze came up and a tiny speck appeared in the distance. The helmaman knew what it meant and lashed himself to the wheel. A few minutes later a typhoon struck us and sent us spinning along, our masts bare of sail. The wind blew at the rate of about ninety miles an hour and the sea foamed and hissed about us. We were prepared for this and no damage was done, although the waves swept across the deck from stem to stern. The storm passed over as were drifting in a smooth sea, with a breath of wind stirring. We got a fair breeze soon after and boomed ahead. then had the regulation calms and squalls although the latter were a little stronger than usual, capecially after we reached the

On November 15th the lookout announced a fire ahead and we all watched eagerly, as we sped along, to learn what it was. Darkness was just setting in when our lookout discovered the flames, and it was pitch dark when we could see that some large vessel was burning. The sight was a beautiful one, but we thought more of the possible lives which might be on board, and headed our ship directly for the burning vessel. We got close enough to her to see that there was a small boat alongside, but we could not distinguish her name, nor could her rig be ascertained, all masts being down. She was evidently a sailing vessel and from the smoke and smell I presumed that she was petroloum laden.

'Could you see anything in the small 'We distinguished what we thought to be a ship's chart, also a bag filled with something, a bucket and a pair of oars. The

boat was painted white. 'There were no men on board?' 'No mor anywhere around. We kept close to her for several hours in hopes of finding her crew in boat somewhere about. Early in the present month the Anna began to encounter the head winds and seas which all incoming vessels report, but escaped serious damage. No cold weather was encountered until the ship was near this port on Thursday afternoon, when the crew began to suffer. The vessel now looks almost like an iceberg the water freezing on her sides almost one-quarter of an inch thick and her spars and ropes are

covered with snow.

FRANCE AND SIAM. In speaking of the present relations France and Siam *The Times* observes :--- It is ! mpossible that French intervention should become active in the upper valley of the Mekong, at present under the dominion of Siam, without a serious danger of complications with the King of Burmah, a potentate with whom the relations of the India Government have for some time been ex tremely critical. Siam is a neighbour with whom Burmah maintains a tranquil modus vivendi, but France would be a neighbour of a different character. Nor, again, can we pretend to think that the relations of England and France would be other than seriously strained if the kingdom of Siam were absorbed by the latter and the two Powers were conterminous along the whole frontier of Tenasserim. That, however, is a remote contingency at present, though it should not be entirely overlooked. Of course, the notion of a French hegemony extending over the whole Trans-Gangetic peninsula is merely the romantic dream of a French colonial journalist, who probably forgot in his ecstasy that a considerable portion of the peninsula already belongs to England. That, however, in a fact which England and the Indian Government are not at all likely to forget. It is a fact which necessarily compels us to regard French designs on Siam in a very different light from that in which we regarded French adventures in Tong-King. We have no sort of desire for Siam ourselves, which is an ex-News of a most unpleasant character cellent neighbour, tranquil, unaggressive, and inoffensive, and we have no unworthy jealousy of legitimate colonial enterprise on the part of France: But it is the mere instinct of self preservation, the natural degreto live tranquilly and at peace with all our neighbours, which compel us to look with anxiety at certain tendencies of French see them policy which, unless wisely controlled. might easily set the whole Indo-Chinese peningula, eastward and northward of the British frontier, in a blaze not easy to ex-

The following letter has been addressed to the Editor of The Times :-Sir,—A telegram has been received at Tr this Legation from the Siamese Government at Bankok, denying all knowledge whatever of the 'threatening letter, stated by your correspondent at Hong Kong in a talegram published by you on the 18th inst to have been sent by the Governor of Sairon to the Siamese Government, and

which was commented upon in your leading article on the following day. I am sure you will see the justice of giving this contradiction as prominent a place as possible in your next issue,-I am, Sir, our obedient servant. FREDERICK VERNEY. English Secretary to the Siamese

Logation. Siamese Legation, 23, Ashburn-place, .W., Dec. 22.

ACTION ON AN INSURANCE POLICY.

The trial of an action brought against the

Commercial Union Assurance Company to

recover £2,000-upon a policy on the life

of the late Mr Isaac Lotinga, of Sunderland,

has terminated, after lasting eight days, The company resisted payment on two grounds-first, that Lotinga had committed suicide; and second, that in his policy proposals he had made misstatements as to his nabits being temperate, sober, and active. Lotinga effected his policy in March, 1883, and he died on the 3rd of July following. The nature of his illness has not been clearly shown, for while some witnesses described him as being broken down in body and mind, others deposed that they could see no ailments in him. On the day of his death his wife was absent from home, and he was left to the charge of a Mrs Blackston, who states that he had all day been craving for whisky, which by Mrs Lotinga's orders was denied him. In the evening Mrs. Blackston left the room for a few moments. and on her return she found the patient lying back livid on his pillow and holding an empty wine glass, out of which he said he had been drinking whisky; he died tho same night. After his death Mrs Blackston. discovered under the bed a bottle labled 'Mountain Daw,' which Mrs Lotinga recognized as one which had stood in his dressing-room, and into which she had the day before poured some carbolic acid, she having previously broken another bottle in a which this acid had been contained. It became evident that Lotinga had died from ... drinking carbolic soid, and a coroner's jury had to consider whether he could possibly have swallowed stuff of such peculiar smell and taste mistaking it for whisky. The jury decided that there had been suicide, It was not denied by some of the plaintills witnesses that Lotinga drank a little whisky occasionally; but it was argued that he only did this in the course of business. He once told a friend that 'he never drank except on business,' and his own family awore that his usual drinks were claret, soda-water. and lemon-squash. The minister of the Leeds Great Synagogue, who knew Lotinga. intimately, gave him an unqualified character for sobriety, and added that, being himself; a total abstainer, he should not have consented to associate with a man who could be suspected of tippling. And Lotinga's doctor, in his report to the assurance company, stated that the deceased's liver and A nerves were in a perfect condition. But then there was a mass of evidence from people who declared that Lotings was always .:: drinking. One witness spoke to his consuming five or six pints of whisky a day. Another assorted that one day, being in a company of five, Lotinga had taken his share of twelve bottles of champagne drunk among those five in consequence of a bet, and that he had been disgracefully intoxicated. The jury could not agree, and were discharged without giving a verdict.

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